



**WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT
OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
FINAL DETERMINATION OF
NON-SIGNIFICANCE
August 19, 2004**

State of Washington
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Name of Proposal: NORTH FORK MANASTASH DRAINAGE ROAD MAINTENANCE
AND ABANDONMENT

Description of Proposal: Abandonment of 5,000 feet of the Whisky Canyon road and 25,875 feet of North Fork Manastash spur roads; the decommissioning of 19,255 feet of the lower North Fork Manastash Road (Decommissioning: installation of road closure berms and water bars, and the ripping and seeding of the road surface): and the maintenance and closure of 2, 869 feet of the North Fork Manastash Road (Maintenance/ closure: installation of road closure berms and rolling dips, and removal of undersized culverts). An additional 8,100 feet of Washington Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) property will also be closed to motorized vehicles as a part of this project. This proposal will eliminate or minimize sediment delivery and environmental damage to the North Fork Manastash Creek. The majority of these roads have been closed in to the public for several years, with the exception of the upper four miles of the North Fork Manastash Road.

Proponent: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, 600 Capitol Way North, Olympia Washington 98591-1091 Contact: Mark Quinn 360/902-8138 or Cindi Confer 509/925-6746

Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Property is located approximately 13 miles West of Ellensburg on the L. T. Murray Wildlife Area, Washington, Kittitas County; Section 01 and 02 , Township 17 North, Range 16 East and Section 06 and 07 , Township 17 North, Range 17 East and Section 20,21,22 (DNR ownership)27,34,35, Township 18 North, Range 17 East WM

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of the completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will **not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date of issue below. Comments must be submitted by: **August 18, 2004**

Responsible Official: Teresa A. Eturaspe

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DATE OF ISSUE: August 4, 2004 **SIGNATURE:** 

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